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This letter is in response to the Petition filed on 25 March 2011 under 37 C.F.R. 1.181 to request entry of the papers filed 28 October 2010. This petition was only now brought to the deciding official's attention. The resulting inconvenience and delay is regretted.

The application, file history and petition have been considered carefully. Applicants request entry of the papers filed 28 October 2010. On 31 May 2011, applicants filed a Request for Continued Examination. This request will re-open prosecution and permit entry of the papers filed 28 October 2011, along with those filed on 25 March 2011 and 31 May 2011.

Accordingly, the petition under 37 CFR 1.181 is **DISMISSED**.

The application will be forwarded to the Examiner for consideration of the papers filed 28 October 2010, 25 March 2011 and 31 May 2011 and for preparation of an Office action consistent with this decision.

Should there be any questions regarding this decision, please contact Quality Assurance Specialist Julie Burke, by mail addressed to Director, Technology Center 1600, PO BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, or by telephone at (571) 272-0512 or by Official Fax at 571-273-8300.

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